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A MAN WHO KNOWS AND IS WILLING TO TELL.

SOME INTERESTING TESTIMONY

Given by the Man Sent to St. Louis to Steal the Evidence Against Babcock.

An Unvarnished Tale Before Clymer's Committee.

Chas. S. Bell, One of Grant's Scouts, the Narrator.

BABCOCK DENIES THE WHOLE THING.

Says It's a Tissue of Falsehoods.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31, 1876.

Mr. C. L. Bell, of Jackson, Miss., testified this morning before Clymer's committee that he made application for a posttradership at Fort Davis, Texas, and came here in June, 1872, to see Belknap about it. He had a number of recommendations from army officers, but Secretary Belknap told him that if he had come to make such application, he (Belknap) wouldn't have seen him. Witness replied that it would take him very little time to get out of his office, and he then got out. This brusque treatment made him angry, but as he got to the west front of the building, a young man came running after him and requested him to come back. When he returned Belknap said, rather apologetically, that he was greatly annoyed over many applications for posttraderships. Belknap then turned to him brusquely and ask "How much is that position worth?" He replied that he did not know. "Is it worth $2,000 a year?" he asked. He replied he supposed it was worth that. "Would you be willing to pay that?" Belknap pursued. "I wouldn't be willing to pay anything," he responded, and then he left. Bell stated that he didn't believe the Secretary meant to make him an offer of the post for $2,000, but thought the Secretary attempted to entrap him into offering a bribe, so he might have some reason to decline to appoint him. Witness could not remember that he had said to anybody that Colonel Goodfellow and Mr. Christy, the Secretary's Chief Clerk, were Belknap's go-betweens in post tradership bargains. The examination proceeded as follows: Q.—What business are you now? A.—I am on detective work, not at present under Government. Q.—You were a detective and scout for years in Texas? A.—Yes, sir; I have also been acting as special agent of the Internal Revenue Department. Q.—Who appointed you? A.—Mr. Chandler. Q.—Have you rendered any recent service to that department? A.—None since the 16th of February of this year. Q.—Are you personally acquainted with Chandler? A.—I am. Q.—Did he appoint you on his own motion, and if not, at whose solicitation? A.—The President of the United States. Q.—Are you acquainted with him personally? A.—Yes, sir. Q.—How long have you known him? A.—I have served him at intervals since 1862. Q.—Did you come to him on recommendation when you went to the Secretary of War? A.—I had. Q.—Had you General Reynolds's recommendation? A.—I don't say, but the President's recommendation was of such a character that I didn't think I needed any other. Q.—Have you got that recommendation of the President with you? A.—I have not. Q.—Can you send for it? A.—I do not think can reach it at present. Q.—What time was it dated? A.—The latter part of December, 1875. Q.—I thought you said you had it with you when you went to the Secretary of War to apply to be appointed a post trader? A.—I had papers from the President then, but they did not pertain to that matter; they were general. Q.—Then this recommendation you speak of was a recommendation to the Secretary of the Interior to appoint you as a detective? A.—It did not specify that it was a general recommendation to give me an appointment; it was as card. I think it ran something like this: "Hon. Z. Chandler, Secretary of the Interior: I recommend as bearer, Mr. L. B. Bell, for appointment. He has rendered valuable service during the war and since." I know it covered one full side of the card and a portion of the other. I handed it to the Secretary of the Interior. I went there a day or two afterwards to get it, and he couldn't find it, although he had a very careful search made. Q.—On that recommendation the Secretary of the Interior appointed you? A.—I suppose he did; I know the President and Mr. Lucky both spoke to him personally about appointing me. I received an appointment dated January 5. [The witness produced his appointment as first class clerk in the secret service. He explained that there was no such office as special agent under the Interior Department, the men acting as such being classed as detailed for that duty.] Q.—What was your salary? A.—$1,300 a year, and three dollars per diem and traveling expenses, aggregating about $2,195 a year. I entered in the office on the 7th of January last. The list of cases was sent to me at St. Louis to be worked up, but I never worked them up.

In cross-examination by Mr. Danford, the witness stated that the reason he did not go to the President and tell him that Secretary Belknap had proposed to him to pay for a post tradership was, that the Secretary of War evidently somewhat more than he did, and he did not think it would do to attack him. By Mr. Clymer: Q.—Under what appointment were you interested in the Babcock case in St. Louis? A.—No, I was not. Q.—Were you sent out there to take part in it? A.—No, sir, not under this appointment. Q.—Under any appointment? A.—No, sir. Q.—Were you never engaged in any way in connection with that case? A.—Not by the Government. Q.—By whom, then? General Babcock? A.—(Hesitatingly) No, I can't say that I was. Q.—By his counsel? A.—No, sir. Q.—By anybody for him? A.—By some one acting for him, I suppose; acting for him they said they were. I was employed in November. Q.—What services were you to render under that experiment? A.—(After a pause)—I would like a little time to reflect upon that question, as to put it in shape. Q.—We only want the truth; it is not very hard to tell that. A.—I do not know as that has anything to do with this case. Q.—We will determine that after we hear it; we only want to know who employed you. A.—In regard to the St. Louis whisky matters? Q.—Yes; General Babcock is an officer of the army, and I propose to inquire about him now. A.—Well, I was employed by Mr. Luckey, the private Secretary of the President. Q.—What was to do for Luckey? A.—To make it as brief as possible, I was to look in the hands of the District Attorney there, Colonel Dyer, and see what evidence there was against Babcock. Q.—You were sent by Luckey, then, to go out there and inquire what case there was against Babcock? A.—I was there at the time. Q.—Did Luckey write to you? A.—No, sir; I met him there at the hotel. Q.—What were you to do? A.—I was simply to visit the District Attorney's office, as I had the run of the office, there and see what evidence there was. Q.—Did you go there and get hold of it? A.—I did. Q.—With the consent of the District Attorney? A.—No, sir. Q.—You got it surreptitiously, then? A.—I did. Q.—Did you furnish what you got to Colonel Luckey? A.—I did, that was in November, at the Lindell Hotel. Q.—Was there any other person connected with Colonel Luckey that you know of? A.—A gentleman named A. C. Bradley, of Washington, who said he was acting as one of counsel for General Babcock. Q.—What information did you furnish Luckey? A.—I told him that the evidence against Babcock at that time was weak. I did not give him copies of any papers. Q.—Had you read the evidence against Babcock? A.—Only in the District Attorney's office? A.—Oh, no; I only knew from what I heard in the office and what Col. Dyer himself told me. Q.—Did Dyer know you were the agent of Luckey? A.—No, sir, not at the time; subsequently he did. Q.—Did you look over the papers in that office? A.—Some of them. Q.—Did you read them all? A.—I read a good many of them. Q.—Where did you get the papers in the office? A.—On the table and in the drawers. Q.—Was that the precise service that Colonel Luckey told you to render him? A.—It was. Q.—He told you to go there and find out? A.—To go and find out all I could. I wish to state that at the time I believed from conversations I heard in the District Attorney's office and among many influential men outside, that this attempt to implicate Babcock was made for the purpose of injuring President Grant, whom I had served as a scout during the war, and for whom I had a strong regard. These men claimed to have strong friends of Bristow's. I saw many telegrams that passed between Washington and the District Attorney there, and others, and it looked that way. I believed that until another matter came up there and then, I thought the parties out there were acting without authority and perhaps were even anxious, and I believed it until I came to Washington. When I came here I found that I was on the wrong track, and I dropped the case and took measures afterwards to cause information to reach the President that that idea was wrong. Q.—That Babcock was not guilty? A.—That he was guilty. Q.—You informed the President that Babcock was not guilty? A.—I took measures to inform him that I believed he was guilty. I did it because the President himself told me that if Babcock was guilty he wished to known it; he wished nothing concealed, and he wished him punished. I took the President at his word, and informed him of it, and I got my discharge three days afterward. Q.—Had you any conversation with Babcock with regard to this matter? A.—Frequently; probably a dozen times, after I arrived here in December. Q.—If at any time General Babcock admitted he was guilty, please state it? A.—His admission was clear enough. If they wanted me to get evidence out of the office and destroy it, it was clear enough. Q.—Did he admit to you that he was guilty? A.—I told him what Bradley asked me to do in St. Louis, and instead of dissenting, he said he did not wish me to get the evidence out of that office unless I could get the whole of it; that if I got part it would be worse than none. Q.—What had Bradley asked you to do? A.—He had asked me to get evidence out of the office and bring it to the Lindell Hotel. Q.—What was to be done with it there? A.—Destroy it. Q.—Was Colonel Luckey present when Bradley told you to do that? A.—I believe not; I believe this was in Bradley's room in the Lindell Hotel; the proposition was made after Luckey came East, in the latter part of November. I went down with Bradley and Luckey to the depot when Luckey went to take the train to come East; he told me to consult with Bradley—that he was there in the interest of Babcock, and that this whole move was not against Babcock but against the President, and for me to consult with Bradley and to act with him. Q.—And Bradley told you to get the evidence out of the District Attorney's office and bring it to the Lindell Hotel to be destroyed? A.—He did. Q.—Did you attempt to get it? A.—No, sir, I didn't. Q.—Why didn't you? A.—Well, I thought it was going rather too far in the matter. Q.—You had told him all that you know? Yes. Q.—When you came back, you say you had a conversation with Babcock? A.—Yes; I met him at No. 2100 Pennsylvania avenue. [The witness produced a memorandum of the number of the house, given him, he said, by Luckey.] In that conversation I related all I had seen and heard in St. Louis, and I told him of this proposal of Bradley. He said he didn't want me to do it; he didn't want to get the whole of it; that part of it would be worse than none. The matter was talked over between us afterwards, and he remarked that if I got it all well rewarded. I told him I didn't like to go into it. I also met his counsel, Mr. Storrs. I was at Gen. Babcock's house six or seven times. Q.—What occurred there? A.—There was a great deal of talk. I gave them a written report of all that I had seen and heard at St. Louis. I haven't a copy of the report. Babcock, I suppose, has the report. I had given them that report previous to this talk about getting evidence, and up to the time of making that request I will thought the matter was intended as a political move; but when I found out that I was wrong, I dropped it and went from here to New York on the 19th of January, and did not return to Washington until about the 8th or 9th of February. I then took the President at his word, and took measures to send him information that Babcock was guilty. I should have stated that I gave the thing up after Bradley left St. Louis, which was a night or two after Luckey left, and went to Jacksonville, Ky. From there I wrote to Bradley and asked him to return my letter and he did so, accompanied with the following:

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 9, 1875.

C. S. Bell, Esq.—Yours received to-day, and herewith returned. I am authorized to request you to come on immediately, and to say you will be cared for.

Yours truly, A. C. BRADLEY.

It was intended I should be appointed special agent in the Attorney General's office, and sent to St. Louis to continue my work; and here is the key of the cipher that was given to me to communicate with. Witness identified the original of the cipher published in the New York *Herald* on February 10th. Q.—Were you appointed in the Attorney General's office? A.—I was not. Q.—I was before you and I had a card from the President to Attorney General Pierrepoint, similar to the one I had to Secretary Chandler. Q.—And asking for you to be appointed special agent? A.—It did not say so; it said: "This is the man of whom I spoke for that appointment," or something to that effect. Q.—Why were you not appointed? A.—That was about the 15th of December, and the new General delayed the appointment from day to day, and finally went off with the Congressional Investigation Party to Philadelphia, and when he came back he was delayed. I reported to the President two or three times that the appointment had not been made, and I finally found that the Attorney General was in consultation with Treasury officials and he said that he had ascertained that Mr. Dyer would not consent to my working in his office any longer. I asked the Attorney General how he knew that, and he said he had had a conversation with, as he expressed it, "a high official." I asked him why he had disclosed my name to that official, and said to him if I was cut there and the District Attorney was inimical to my mission, I could find it out myself. He said that he had casually mentioned it; that the official had come to his house, and they had had this conversation. He said he had my instructions all written out to send me to St. Louis, and he asked me if I wished to be identified the circumstances—if I thought I could be of any use now that my mission was known? I said I didn't think I could. I reported that to the President, and we decided that I could not be of any service under the circumstances, if I was appointed in the Attorney General's office. Q.—And the object of your going was to get hold of the testimony? A.—It was to see what was going on. I had no intention of taking testimony. Q.—Is this cypher in Luckey's writing? A.—Most of it. Q.—Did you ever communicate with Luckey by means of this cypher? A.—I did not, because I was not appointed by the Attorney General to go out there. Q.—How did you communicate information to the President that you believed that Babcock was guilty? A.—I went three times and finally failed to have an interview with him, and failed, and then I put the thing in a shape that I could get it to him. I got it to him through a newspaper. I put it in that way because I did not care to trust anything in writing in the hands of any one there to go to the President. I had made up my mind that the case was in such a shape that I could do nothing with it, and I dropped it. Q.—In what newspaper did you make the publication? A.—In the New York *Herald*. I marked a copy and mailed it to the President, and I have reason to believe it reached him. Q.—In your conversation with Babcock in regard to this matter, did you say to him that you had proof of his guilt? A.—No, sir; I told him what the evidence was before I left there, and I told him what the evidence was, so far as I knew. He repeatedly said to me that there were papers and telegrams of his which, if the prosecution got hold of, it would be almost impossible to explain. I was under the impression he was confined for three weeks. Q.—Who paid you for the services that you rendered out there? A.—I received very little pay, perhaps $200; it was paid to me by Brady. I left Babcock when I went away from St. Louis. I had given up the case, but when I received this communication from Bradley, I gave up a position that was paying me about $200 dollars a month, to come on here, and then, after a delay of about five weeks, I received this appointment from the Interior Department, and three days afterward I communicated this information to the President. I received my "conge" then. Q.—Were you to be employed in the District Attorney's office in St. Louis by Bradley, Luckey and Babcock, for any other purpose than to attempt to prevent the conviction of Babcock? A.—That was what they understood, but the President did not understand it that way at all, at least I believe he did not. He said to me that he wished me to see what was going on, and if there were any attempt to introduce false or forged testimony, or any prejudice against the defendant, that he wished to know it, and I was to make my reports to the Attorney General, and that if General Babcock was guilty he wanted him punished; that is what the President said from the start. Q.—Did you tell the Attorney General that in your opinion Babcock was guilty? A.—I had not arrived at that point at that time. Q.—Did you at any time tell him that? A.—I did not. Q.—Did you ever tell it to Luckey? A.—I did not. Q.—Did you ever tell Bradley so? It was unnecessary; they understood the case. Q.—Do you mean by that that they knew he was guilty? A.—I do not say that; they, however, thought there were many documents in existence that it would be very difficult for him to explain. Q.—Did you ever take any documents out of the District Attorney's office in St. Louis? A.—I did, on one occasion; reports, notes and memoranda in reference to the Avery matter, but they were chiefly matters that had been published before. I have explained that to the District Attorney to his full satisfaction. I believe I took one telegram away from there—a telegram from Bluford Wilson, but it has all been explained to District Attorney Dyer; he understands the whole matter, and was perfectly satisfied with the explanation. Q.—He was entirely satisfied with your conduct in trying to get his papers away from him? A.—Well, there was an understanding there, and that I do not know it is necessary to explain to the committee. I do not care about having it if it would be detrimental to the public service. Q.—With who else did you have negotiation here in Washington, with reference to the Babcock matter, save Bradley, Luckey, the Attorney General and the President? A.—His counsel, Mr. Storrs; none other that I remember. The Attorney General seemed to be averse to this arrangement, from the fact that he delayed my appointment from day to day. Q.—That is, he was averse to you going out there to play the spy on Col. Dyer? A.—Yes, he seemed to be. I went directly from his house to the Attorney General's with that card from the President, and I stated to him exactly what the President said—that if there was any innocent party to be prosecuted, he wished to know it, and that if Babcock was guilty, he wanted him punished. The Attorney General said, "I intended to commission you today, but an official came to my house last night—I will say a very high official—whom I meet upon special occasions." I understood him to mean the Secretary of the Treasury, and I pointed out of the window where we were sitting toward the Treasury Department, and said, "If you have said anything in that quarter, there is no use in my going." The Attorney General said: "It is not the Secretary, but it is a high official, and," said he, "under the circumstances it is no use for you to go out there," and I said, "No, but you must let me find that out for myself." Q.—You knew, then, that the head of the Treasury Department would not have approved of your going to play the spy on District Attorney Dyer? A.—Most assuredly. Q.—When you got that card from the President, was it understood between you and him that the purpose of it was to get you an appointment, and that you were to go to St. Louis, and through the District Attorney's office, and to ascertain whether there was any evidence that would show Babcock's guilt? Was that the object of the President in sending you there? A.—His object, as I understood it, was to ascertain whether there was any reasonable ground for believing Babcock guilty, and that if that was so, the President wished to know it; but he trusted in my judgment, and I was not to reply to him, but to the Attorney General. Q.—According to your judgment, the object of the President in sending you there was a proper action to ascertain whether Babcock was guilty, but under cover of that appointment, the Attorney General and Bradley, Luckey and Babcock was going to use you for the purpose of destroying evidence? A.—Not the Attorney General. Q.—But the others—Bradley and Babcock and Luckey wished you to go there and destroy evidence? A.—Yes, they wished me to do that. I will say, however, that I had no intention of going there before, because I thought my first duty was to the President, and if I found afterward proof of Babcock's guilt, my intention was, as I proved by my subsequent action, to inform the President of it as he had requested. Q.—And as soon as you did inform him, you were turned out of the position you had received under the Interior Department? A.—Yes; I do not say, though, that the President had any hand in cancelling my commission. I only state the fact as it exists.

The witness produced letters of dismissal, which were read, as follows:

WASHINGTON, February 15, 1876.

Department of Interior, Pension Office:

SIR—You are hereby directed to return at once to this office all the official papers in your possession. Very respectfully,

CHAS. R. GILL.

"Charles S. Bell, 1627 Chatean avenue, St. Louis.

"DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY,
WASHINGTON, February 16, 1876.

"SIR:—Your letter of yesterday's date to the Pension Office will be dispensed with from and after this date. Respectfully,

Z. CHANDLER."

I will state that on my arrival in St. Louis on the night of the 14th of February, I had a conversation with District Attorney Dyer at his office, and at which there were present Mr. Day, who I believe is now in this city, and Mr. Eaton, assistant counsel. I explained this matter to Colonel Dyer as fully as I have explained it to the committee, and he understood what I was doing; he knew a good deal of what was going on, and it was not necessary to state to the committee. Q.—You were employed on both sides, then? A.—No, not at all. Q.—I thought you said that Colonel Dyer knew what you were doing? A.—He knew what I was doing; they were understanding, and when you Roger M. Sherman came out from Mr. Bliss' office in New York, got my books and papers in Mr. Hoag's case, and it is susceptible of proof that they were turned over to Babcock's counsel; and he (Babcock) instructed me to carry out in the District Attorney's office the mission I was to go there for. Dyer having informed Mr. Dyer of that mission, Mr. Sherman's efforts did not succeed. Q.—What other persons were employed by Babcock, or by Luckey, &c., in this same service? A.—I do not know of any other than Bradley, unless to draw the distinction, if they will, that as long as I believed Babcock innocent, I was willing to help him, and as soon as I believed him guilty—Q.—You threw up the sponge? A.—Yes. Q.—Have they paid you any more since you threw up the sponge? A.—No, sir; I have never met them since. I have been requested to, but desired to see me several times. Q.—Did you have with you any communication at all with the Secretary of the Treasury? A.—Not at all. A.—No, sir; I had some with Buford Wilson before I went to St. Louis, but I was very careful to conceal your movements from Secretary Sherman. A.—At the time of the inception of the plan until the time I reached point I have stated, I was. Q.—Did you ever see any telegrams between Babcock and Bradley Babcock and members of the whisky ring, save those that were given in evidence against him? A.—I have not; I can't say that I have not, but I think there were other telegrams that were not given in evidence, that were given in Colonel Dyer's office. I think there were other telegrams, from the fact that before Bradley left St. Louis, it was hinted that I should be particular to get hold of any telegrams sacked in the case of Bailinch, if I could saw them, but after I got here General Babcock told me that when he came to think of it he thought he had destroyed them, and that signature sent to that quarter. Q.—What was the signature that he used in that quarter? A.—Bab, and sometimes Sylph, but never saw any other signature than Sylph and Bab. Q.—Was any attempt made to introduce them, but they were fought out by the defence. Q.—Was it the New York cipher that was published in the New York *Herald* on February 10th, which emabled Mr. Dyer to decipher the dispatches? A.—I don't know; I was told that it was not the cipher in that article, but it was declared two days afterward in a paragraph, that it was a double cipher; the words are changed and placed in a certain order, and it would be very difficult to decipher without a key. Q.—Was any other member of the President's household implicated save General Babcock? A.—General Babcock and Colonel Luckey I don't think Luckey had anything to do with the whisky matter. I never saw the slightest evidence of it. Q.—Then, as I understand it, you, Babcock, Bradley and Luckey were parties to the scheme? A.—Yes, sir. A.—And the only parties? A.—The only parties; I don't consider his counsel parties. Q.—Did you ever see any other person in the President's house with reference to this matter, save Babcock and Mr. Luckey? A.—I don't think I ever spoke to Babcock about it in the President's mansion, I generally met him at his own house, or at his room on Pennsylvania avenue; I went there openly. Q.—Do you know anything about the interview with him, and failed, and then I put the thing in a shape that I could get it to him. I got it to him through a newspaper. I put it in that way because I did not care to trust anything in writing in the hands of any one there to go to the President. I had made up my mind that the case was in such a shape that I could do nothing with it, and I dropped it. Q.—In what newspaper did you make the publication? A.—In the New York *Herald*. I marked a copy and mailed it to the President, and I have reason to believe it reached him. Q.—In your conversation with Babcock in regard to this matter, did you say to him that you had proof of his guilt? A.—No, sir; I told him what the evidence was before I left there, and I told him what the evidence was, so far as I knew. 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The Commercial.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1876.

WE MAKE a correction. The quarrel between Senator WALLACE and the *Post* is not, as we stated, "a tempest in a teapot." It is a "Coffee-pot."

AS SOON as Secretary BRISTOW took the author of that hog story by the ear the latter squealed that it was all a lie, and hamstrung himself with an affidavit to that effect.

THE Indianapolis *Journal* says the editor of the *Post* "invented" Judge BLACK as a Presidential candidate, but it neglects to add that the authorities refused to issue a patent.

IT IS inexpressibly gratifying to witness the efforts of the Democratic leaders in behalf of purity and innocence. They will, in their own proper persons, cleanse the Augean stables, first anybody knows.

THE Connecticut election, next Monday, is the last that will be held in that State in the spring. The terms of the officials to be chosen will expire in eight months. Hereafter the elections will take place in November, the same as in our own Commonwealth and other States.

EXIT Winter, enter Spring. Meadow and forest, mountain slope and valley are already, notwithstanding the untowardness of the season, beginning to feel the quickening pulses of a newer life, and presently Nature

—"Will mark with buds of fragrant white
Her batteries of the snows,
And lift her rosebush banners to the light
Of soul-entrancing morns."

A LEADING colored Republican named MORRIS was last week tried and convicted in an Augusta, Georgia, court, on the charge of carrying concealed weapons, and was sentenced to twelve months at hard labor in the chain-gang and to pay a fine of fifty dollars. Nearly every Democrat in that State is a walking arsenal of concealed arms; but then, circumstances alter cases.

ONE of the best features of the new "Dare to do Right" temperance movement which is sweeping throughout the New England States, is the thorough recognition of the fact that to avert intemperance there must be substituted some other quickener for the physical stimulus of liquor. Every temperance movement should aim at supplying social stimulus where the stimulus of the bar-room has been taken away.

"THE stories set on foot by Indianapolis Radicals inflicting the integrity of Governor Hendricks have been very effectually exploded. The Governor's record seems to be without blemish."—*Cincinnati Inquirer.*

Exactly. So much without blemish that, during the present week, General MCGINNIS, who charged him with the malfeasance, has been offered more than five thousand dollars to settle the matter, "provided nothing further was said about it in the newspapers!"

ONE effect of the late decision of the United States Supreme Court regarding the Enforcement act, will be to secure the election of a Republican President and Congress next fall. There are laws whose constitutionality is not disputed which, if properly administered, will tend to protect colored voters in their rights, and the people will see to it that this protection is accorded. Another effect will be to teach Southern Republicans to rely upon themselves and to stand up squarely for their own rights.

THE iron and steel trade of Sheffield, England, is so depressed that many of the principal firms have decided to reduce the wages of the ironworkers and steelworkers in their employ, in some cases to the extent of 7½ per cent. and in others 10 per cent. This is possibly the reason why the Democratic House, which pretends that its economical designs compel it to cut down the wages of government employees, is striving so energetically to reduce the income of the government from duties on imports in the interest of these foreign manufacturers.

THE recent changes in German orthography, approved and adopted by the late commission at Berlin, will be a decided improvement upon the language, but if they had discarded the old German text and espoused the Latin they would have taken a much larger step in the direction of a more universal language. Many of the books of to-day are already printed in this text. The English script is taught in the schools as well as the German, so that there seems to be a growing tendency in that direction. Excepting only the English, the German is more widely spoken and has a richer literature than any other living language.

A NUMBER of exceedingly interesting prehistoric discoveries have just been made in Michigan, on the banks of Grand River, in the shape of pottery, copper instruments and ornaments. One of the skulls, taken from a depth of some ten or twelve feet, is described as being more ape-like in its conformation than the skull of any mound-builder hitherto discovered. The frontal bone slopes back at an angle almost as low as in the orang, making a forehead nearly as low as that of the animal. The attention of DARWIN should be drawn to this discovery. Possibly he might find in it that missing link between the simian and the human animal which is imperatively needed as the final evidence of the truth of his favorite theory. What kind of men were they who walked this American soil those thousands of years before the historic dawn? How many questions, profoundly interesting and important, in regard to the origin of language, religion and civilization, might that skull not solve, if only it could speak. How the dumb, mouldy past mocks the talkative, inquisitive present.

"THE Radical caucus of the Senate gives notice that there shall be no reductions in salaries and expenses."—*Post.*

That is not true. The selfishness of the demagogue never had more emphatic illustration than in the loud "retrenchment" cry of the House Appropriation Committee, and the Senate has simply refused to become the tail to the committee's kite. Many of the oldest and ablest Senators very plainly think that the purpose of appropriation bills is not to remodel the frame of government, but to allot the different departments the amounts of money necessary for their proper support, and this view is shared by many prominent members of the House. They do not see why committees specially charged with the case of certain details of legislation should be ignored and the Committee on Appropriations, or rather the Democratic members of it, relegate to themselves the authority in an appropriation bill to amend or repeal existing laws which have been carefully framed for the guidance of Congress as well as of all other branches of the Government. Nothing can be more pernicious in practice than the supreme power of the Appropriation Committee of the House over the whole legislation of the country, and the Senate has done wisely to resist it.

PERSONAL.

THE new Steamboat bill will come up for action in the House to-day. The "double liability" provision has been stricken out, the principle having been very strenuously opposed by the vessel interests as imposing a responsibility especially onerous and unjust, and much beyond that which governs other business. For over a century Great Britain has confined the measure of the owner's responsibility simply to his interest in the vessel, and this has also long been the case in the Southern nations of Europe. This beneficent rule was not adopted by the United States until 1851, and was then applied only to ocean-going vessels, though the Supreme Court has decided that it has some applicability to the boats on lakes. But the common law rule still hangs over the river craft, and the result has frequently been the enforcement of two, and even three, classes of liability imposed upon vessels plying at the same time in the same waters. There certainly seems no reason for continuing the discrimination against vessels employed exclusively upon the inland waters. Such navigation is as difficult and hazardous as that upon the ocean—in some respects even more so. Most of the Western rivers, for instance, are narrow and shallow, and infested with fogs. A certain class of accidents are more likely to occur there than upon the lakes and seas. The vessels are as expensively built and equipped as any that ply upon the great lakes; and it is manifestly unfair to subject them to greater burdens than are laid upon the shipping interests of the lakes and the ocean. The new provision seems a very wise and just one.

THE LOWRY ENGINES.

There have been grave differences of opinion among professional engineers and mechanical experts as to the efficiency of the LOWRY engines, now in course of completion for the new water works. Early in the investigation now being conducted by the House Committee, these engines were vigorously attacked, and it was attempted to be shown that the principle upon which the pumps are operated is in direct opposition to well defined mechanical laws. Mr. LOWRY, during the past two days, has been putting in his defense, and our readers are by this time enabled to judge of the value and reliability of the testimony on both sides. Many good people have been made nervous by statements to the effect that the engines will prove a total failure; that the entire investment will be lost; that the engines will never throw a drop of water, and that it would be better to sell them now for "scrap iron" than to spend another dollar on them. The testimony given in defense of the engines constructed by Mr. LOWRY, on the same mechanical principle, and now in use in this city and in Allegheny, will go far towards quieting apprehensions of disaster in this direction. It has been established, beyond all question, that the LOWRY engine in Allegheny, after having been properly fitted up, did her work well. It is safe to conclude that the same principle, applied to the larger engines now being built for this city, will operate equally well under like favorable conditions. As to what is technically called the "duty" of the engine, that has not been definitely ascertained, as there has been no scientific test —although the inventor has been desirous of having such test applied to the Allegheny engine. Great economy in fuel is claimed, and the facts already adduced strongly support this claim. Several of the witnesses called by Mr. LOWRY stated frankly that they had had grave doubts themselves as to the efficient operation of the engine, and that these doubts were not overcome until the engine in Allegheny demonstrated the correctness of the principle. In the language of one of the witnesses, the greatest obstacle in the way was *prejudice*—a hindrance which many a worthy inventor, before Mr. LOWRY's day, has had to contend against. It will be gratifying to many of our citizens, who have been, perhaps, needlessly exercised on this subject, to learn that not a few of our best mechanics and engineers are perfectly satisfied that the LOWRY engines will do all that is claimed for them, if they only get a fair chance. It is the duty of the Councils to see that they do get a fair chance, and that the city is not made to suffer through the machinations of self-interested parties.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

The wheat is four feet high in Texas.

Young man, take care or you'll get fooled to-day.

When silver comes into general circulation the people will have to carry around 1,400 tons of metal.

Jeff. Davis sails for Europe to-day to promote the establishment of direct trade with the Mississippi Valley.

Floods everywhere. This is an excellent time for people who live in low places to visit friends in the gallery.

Mrs. Van Cott is going to Chicago. The brave little Evangelist is not afraid to fight the devil on his own ground.

Base coinage. George William Curtis says "reforming Democrat" is a phrase coined from hope, not experience.

A New York paper tells of a man who "crossed the ocean three times to find his faithless spouse." What a lunatic!

Among the Hawaiian centennial contributions are two volumes of "Bowditch's Navigator" in the Japanese language.

A casting of steel weighing ten tons from the Pennsylvania Steel Works at Baldwinville, will be sent to the Centennial.

There seems to be a pretty resolute purpose on the part of the *Post* to destroy Secretary Robeson in advance of the evidence.

There is a story that German financiers propose to set up a bank in New York with a capital of $10,000,000. It is probably a hoax.

Hereafter illuminating oils sold and used in Michigan must be inspected within the State. Heretofore they have been inspected at Cleveland.

Henry Clay Dean lost his library by the burning of his house last week. There was, of course, no water anywhere in the vicinity of the building.

The Methodists throughout the country will set apart Friday, the 27th instant, as a day of fasting and special prayer for the Divine blessing on the coming General Conference.

A convention of delegates from all the Jewish congregations in the United States will be held in New York city on May 24th, to take steps to found a Hebrew Theological University.

The trustees of Girard College have decided to erect five new marble buildings on the college grounds, so that the institution will altogether accommodate eight hundred pupils.

This message and reply was sent and received at a Connecticut telegraph office on Wednesday: "I am dying; come as soon as you can." "I cannot come; when you die let me know."

The substitution of oil for gas in many of the minor cities of the country makes it a serious question whether enough consumers will be left to pay the cost of keeping up the gas works.

The Wyandot Rolling Mills, near Detroit, have succeeded in making railroad rails with Bessemer steel heads and iron base, capable of bearing much severer tests than rails of steel alone.

Nova Scotia is going to send a petition to the Queen, representing the great importance of obtaining the admission of coal mined in that province and other products into the United States free of duty.

The object of Queen Victoria's journey to Baden-Baden is to revisit the grave of her step-sister, the late Princess of Hohenlohe-Langenburg, over which she has recently had a costly monument erected.

The *New Orleans Picayune* of the 24th ult. states that "a director of the Western Union Telegraph Company, just arrived from Mexico, brings an important telegraph treaty negotiated with the Mexican Government."

Had that Worcester dam given way without warning, as the Mill River Dam did in the same region, the suddenly released flood must have swept many scores of homes away, with their inmates unsuspicious of danger.

A remarkable phenomenon manifested itself in New York city during the height of the storm on Tuesday, about midnight. The barometric pressure had then fallen as low as 29 31 inches, showing a steady decline since morning of sixty one-hundredths of an inch. At that hour the atmospheric pressure underwent a sudden change, which affected the gas pressure all over the city at the same moment, and caused a falling of the light which lasted over ten minutes.

STATE NEWS.

Scranton wants a fire alarm telegraph.

Reading ruffians have arranged for two prize-fights.

Philadelphia is said to be flooded with counterfeit five dollars notes.

There is a pupil at the State Orphan school seventy-nine years old.

The demand for tenement houses in Altoona is greater than the supply.

Fifty-seven years ago Hon. Simon Cameron edited the Doylestown *Democrat*.

H. H. Halbert has just started a new paper at Carlisle, called the *Weekly Advertiser*.

Four Titusville women were arrested last Friday for assault and battery to a man.

The price of gas in West Chester is to be reduced after April 1st from $3 50 to $3 20 per thousand feet.

Mr. Albert Bromer, of Schwenksville, Montgomery county, has a clock supposed to be two hundred years old.

Harriet Stewart, colored, has been committed to jail in Lancaster, on a charge of murdering her infant child.

Rev. H. F. Flick was installed as pastor of the Lutheran church at Centreville, Northampton county, on Sunday last.

The Japanese building on the Centennial grounds will be dedicated with peculiar Oriental ceremonies on Saturday next at noon.

Orrin Rice, of Troy township, Crawford county, captured thirteen foxes the other day—father, mother and eleven little foxes.

The Altoona Opera House narrowly escaped distruction by fire on the 27th. It was set on fire by a crowd of town boys and tramps.

The Wyoming historical and geological society of Wilkesbarre has forwarded its 7,000 pound petrified tree stump to the Centennial grounds.

Raphael Barnes, of Carrolltown, Cambria county, aged twenty-one years, was run over by a train of cars on Monday night, and instantly killed.

A puddling furnace in the rolling mill at Johnstown exploded on Monday night, and injured Richard Crossen dangerously and Chris. McNeilus very seriously.

Darlington Hoopes, a prominent preacher in the Society of Friends, preached his farewell sermon in West Chester on Sunday evening. He removes to Harford county, Maryland.

Mr. Peter Keiser, of Stouchsburg, Berks county, committed suicide on Saturday morning by drowning in the Union Canal, while laboring under temporary insanity caused by ill-health.

An Italian tramp threatened to shoot a hired girl at Easton, because she would give him nothing but bread and butter. The family ran into the street for assistance, and the tramp fled.

Frank Medara, of Muncy, says the *Luminary*, is the owner of twenty-three hens that have laid 225 dozen of eggs in a year just past. They are of the Black Spanish, Houdan and Dominic varieties.

Rev. J. F. Halsey, for twenty years pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Norristown, resigned his charge on Sunday last, on account of advanced ages. He has been in the ministry for fifty years.

Daniel S. Hyde, a well-known citizen of Manchester borough, York county, died suddenly, from an overdose of laudanum, on Sunday night. It is supposed to be a case of suicide, caused by pecuniary troubles.

The editor of the Philadelphia *Times*, Mr. A. K. McClure, and his publisher, Mr. Frank McLaughlin, were arrested on Monday morning, on a charge of libel, preferred by Nathaniel McKay, ex-Naval Constructor of that city.

An attempt will be made next Saturday, (April 1st) to take a correct census of Philadelphia. The police will leave at each dwelling house a blank form, to be filled with the number, sex and ages of the family, which blank will be called for on Monday.

An unprecedented religious revival is making progress in Reading under the superintendence of the Rev. S. Taggart, of Pittsburgh, and Prof. Wm. Johnston, of Philadelphia. Six denominations united, and crowded meetings are held twice a day.

The Reading *Eagle* says that an elderly lady named Lorah, aged seventy years, is reported to have been roasted to death at Adamstown. She went up stairs in the night and the flames of a lighted candle set fire to her dress. She died a horrible death.

The father of Lovett, a base ball player, died, leaving an estate of $60,000, which the son will share in. It is presumed that the father didn't know his son was a member of a base ball club, or he would have left him off without a shilling.—*Norristown Herald.*

His name was Kauffman—he was a young man—and jumped on the cars at Mifflin to ride to Port Royal, and in jumping off, let the cars run over him—so he died to give room for the next restless and fool-hardy fellow who wants to go to heaven by railway.

On Saturday two little daughters of John Caliyer, of York, were terribly burned, one fatally. While they were sitting on the floor, the elder putting stockings and shoes on the younger, a coal of fire fell on the latter's clothing. Her sister tried to extinguish the fire, and in doing so was seriously burned. The younger child died next day.

OHIO NEWS.

Pickpockets are operating in Massilon.

More fatal cases of small-pox are reported from Cuyahoga Falls.

Newcomerstown will build a new Methodist church this summer.

The *Buckeye State* is very keen for a new jail in Columbiana county.

The Soldiers Orphans' Home is said to need an investigation badly.

Cleveland children are having a serious time with scarlet fever and measles.

The Women's Temperance League of Massilon has opened a Friendly Inn.

John Kelly, of Sandusky, was run over by a locomotive, on the 21st and killed.

A Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been organized in Urbana.

Henry Kelley, an old resident of Youngstown, died on the 24th inst., aged seventy-four years.

J. B. Charles, Treasurer of Ada, Hardin county, is reputed to be a defaulter to the amount of $10,000.

Eastern Ohio papers all complain of the miserable condition of the roads, and demand improved highways.

The Fayette *Record* says a Mrs. Smith, residing one and a half miles southeast of that place, is 102 years old.

On Tuesday, Captain Luther Harvey and wife, of Monroe, celebrated the fifty-ninth anniversary of their wedding.

Andrew Edgar, an old citizen of Springfield township, Muskingum county, fell from his chair dead on the 20th.

The organization of a historical society and the establishment of a public library are topics of discussion at Painesville.

Two married men, of Bethel township, Monroe county, eloped with a brace of girls last week, leaving their wives behind.

Mrs. Ellsworth, wife of the Postmaster at Middletown, Guernsey county, has been detected in abstracting money from letters.

Protracted meetings have been held in the churches at Athens, for fifteen weeks and have just closed with about 150 converts.

It is said male teachers in Madison county are underbidding female teachers for spring and summer schools—offering their services at $25 to $30 per month.

The Urbana Council has cut down the salaries of the several city officers—the Mayor's salary of $500 to $400, Marshal's do., and City Solicitor's $400 to $350.

A young lady in Noble county, who has been dumb for two years back, recently regained her speech. It is thought that hereafter she will not have so many beaux to her string.

The coroner's jury decided that it was "extraordinary mental excitement" caused the infanticide in Massilon last week. That is a new name for "emotional insanity" we suppose.

D. Henry, Dick Cassidy, John Nolan and Michael McKernan are under arrest at Sandusky, charged with highway robbery. The victim of the robbers had his jaw broken in the struggle.

On the 22d inst., Nathan Cary, of New Carlisle, Clarke county, shot and probably fatally wounded a young man named Kester, son of the hotel proprietor. Both men loved the same woman.

Hardin county has 157 miles of turnpike, costing $2,500 per mile; Union county has 215 miles, costing $2,500 per mile; Logan county has 169 miles, costing $2,500 per mile; and Clarke county has 50 miles, costing $2,000 per mile.

Elder H. Cogswell, pastor of the Disciple Church in Mansfield for over two years, by unanimous call commences his labors in Wadsworth, on the first Sunday in April. He delivered his farewell sermon at Mansfield last Sunday.

Washington, Guernsey county, is considerably exercised over the loss of one G. A. Moony, who suddenly decamped last week, leaving his friends to mourn his loss to the tune of about $13,000. He was Infirmary Director of Guernsey county.

A lawsuit between George W. Manahan, of Norwalk, and I. Smith and others of Monroeville, and which had been before the Huron county courts for twenty-two years, terminated in the district court at Norwalk last week, a verdict being returned in favor of Smith.

Chillicothe is enjoying a sensation in the way of a millionaire pauper. His name is Moe, and he hails from New York, where he claims to own one and a half million of real estate. He is "stuck" in that city on a $30 board bill. He seems to have mo' cheek than money.

The dry goods and grocery store of F. F. Shaw, at Chester, Geauga county, was consumed by fire on Wednesday morning at one o'clock. The entire contents were burned. The postoffice was also kept in the same building by Mr. Shaw, which also was burned. Loss about $12,000; insurance $6,000.

A remarkable "revival" wave seems to be sweeping over New Philadelphia. All the churches are feeling the effects of it, but it has been especially noticeable in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. W. A. Davidson, pastor. Sometimes the church up stairs and the lecture room are filled so that two meetings must be held. One hundred and fifty have thus far professed conversions, and the work seems just begun.

We very much doubt if any Common Pleas court room in the United States can lay claim to a similar distinction to that now enjoyed by the above court room in this city. Yesterday afternoon a divorce was granted in that room to Nellie Sloan from Richard Sloan, and last evening Franklin L. Silcox and Louise Biehl were married in that apartment. A divorce and a marriage in one day are affairs which we venture to say never occurred before in any court room.—*Sandusky Register.*

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Notice in Equity.
WILLIAM G. FARGO and WILLIAM G. Moorhead vs. The Oil Creek and Allegheny River Railway Company.
In the Court of Common Pleas of Crawford county. No. 5, August Term, 1874. In Equity.
Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, heretofore appointed Master in the above case, to take testimony and report, did, on the 2d day of March, 1876, in the office of the Prothonotary of said county, in Meadville, in said county, his final account as such Receiver, and that on the 3d day of March, 1876, at 10 o'clock A. M., Wm. R. Scott, Esq., was, by the order and decree of the Court, duly appointed Master to audit, examine and report upon said account, and distribute the funds in the hands of the undersigned as such Receiver.
And notice is also hereby further given, that on the 13th day of April, 1876, at 10 o'clock A. M., of that day, at said Prothonotary's office, as counsel can be heard, the undersigned will move the said Court for an order or decree directing the said Master to distribute property that came to his hands by virtue of the appointment aforesaid, to and among the Oil Creek and Buffalo Railway Company, the purchaser thereof, and to the parties entitled to the same, and discharge the Receiver to the parties found to be entitled thereto, and also to be thereupon discharged from the duties of the trust.
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M. CROSBY, Solicitor.
March 11, 1876.

Notice in Equity.
WILLIAM G. Fargo and William G. Moorhead vs. The Oil Creek and Allegheny River Railway Company.
In the Court of Common Pleas of Crawford county. No. 5, August Term, 1874. In Equity.
Notice is hereby given, that on the 9th day of March, 1876, the undersigned, duly appointed Master in the above entitled action, to examine the accounts of the Receiver, and audit the funds now before filed in said action, and report the same to Court, and to make distribution of the funds now in the hands of said Receiver, and that I shall attend to the duties of my appointment at my office in Meadville Room, in the Court House, in the city of Meadville, in said county, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of April, 1876, at 10 o'clock A. M., when and where all parties interested may attend if they desire to do so.
WM. R. SCOTT, Master.
March 11, 1876.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.
In the matter of ISAAC A. REED, Debtor. No. 2678 In Bankruptcy.
Western District of Pennsylvania, ss.
Take notice that a meeting of the Creditors of said Isaac A. Reed, will be held at the office of the undersigned, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 12 Church avenue, in the city of Allegheny, on SATURDAY, the 1st DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1876, at 8 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of considering and passing upon a proposition to be made to them by said Isaac A. Reed, in full settlement and satisfaction of all debts due to them; and further, that under the order of Court directing said meeting, I will attend at the above mentioned time and place to conduct the proceedings at said meeting. Creditors can attend either in person or by proxy duly appointed.
N. W. SHAFER,
Register in Bankruptcy.
Allegheny, Pa., March 30, 1876.

ESTATE OF DOROTHEA CHESS, DECEASED.—NOTICE.—Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned upon the estate of Dorothea Chess, late of the city of Pittsburgh, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against said estate will present them duly proven to
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ESTATE OF DAVID CHESS, DECEASED.—NOTICE.—Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned upon the estate of David Chess, late of the city of Pittsburgh, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against said estate will present them duly proven to
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LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION upon the Estate of Benj. F. Bakewell, late of the Eleventh ward, Allegheny City, Allegheny county, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them duly proven to
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FINANCE AND TRADE.

FRIDAY EVENING, March 31, 1876.

The situation in financial circles was quiet and unchanged to-day, the loan market being still easy, but perhaps with a little more tendency to firmness than heretofore. Rates of discount are, however, about the same as they have been, with unexceptionable security very readily taken. The last few days have developed a considerable outflow of currency to the country. This is caused by the requirements of the April settlements in country localities, and the money that is going out of the banks now will commence to return in a week or two. This movement of course affects the money market a little, but only slightly and temporarily.

In all the leading Eastern cities money continues easy, and the condition of the loan market such as to make the question of interest on country bank balances of un. usual interest to the banks. In Boston the rate on this class of accounts has already been reduced to 2½ per cent. In New York 2 per cent is about the best figure now allowed by banks in good standing, while a large number of the more prominent and independent institutions refuse balances altogether on which interest is demanded. The hard times have curtailed the profits of the banks throughout the country in a most decided manner, and unless business improves, the practice of paying interest on deposits will doubtless fall into general disrepute among the best class of conservative banks. In Cincinnati the banks now allow 3 per cent. on country balances; in St. Louis 3@4 per cent., and in Chicago 3 per cent. In the latter city an effort will in all probability be made during April to reduce the rate, at least for the dull summer months, to 2 per cent. In the open market in New York money is now quoted at about 3@4 per cent., and in Boston 4@6 per cent.

The commercial situation generally is rather quiet, out one of the most encouraging signs for the future that we have noted for a long time, is the state of affairs in the iron trade, affirmed to exist by the following extract from the *Iron Age*:

"Information from a number of points in the West warrants the belief that the new card has been generally adopted, and that quotations are made to conform to it. Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville and St. Louis have all published the card, and are handing and receiving the price. The volume of trade has not been very large since it was adopted, but buyers are making the offers at old price and card, although we can hear of no sales. The very best that these buyers go from mill to mill and intimate that other mills are not adhering to the card, shows that they are, because, if a merchant wants iron in the West, he will jump at the first offer that ignores the new card. We have confidence, not only that the card will be kept, but that at the next meeting of the Western Iron Association a still further advance will be made. If there is nothing else to do. It is not simply a question of choice, but one of necessity, that iron must be kept at the new prices, and in putting it there and keeping it there the manufacturers are only obeying the law of self-preservation."

—The decrease in the exports of Great Britain, which has been going on for some time, has reached proportions of no slight magnitude, as the following comparison will show. The two periods we have taken begin respectively in 1872 and 1875 with the month of March, and the values are given in pounds sterling:

	1872-3.	1875-6.	Decrease.
March.....	£ 18,610,000	£ 16,810,000	£ 1,500,000
April.....	21,030,000	20,220,000	810,000
May.....	20,770,000	18,230,000	2,540,000
June.....	20,220,000	18,340,000	1,880,000
July.....	23,010,000	20,250,000	2,760,000
August.....	24,580,000	19,420,000	5,140,000
September.....	23,150,000	19,850,000	3,300,000
October.....	22,660,000	18,480,000	4,180,000
November.....	22,470,000	18,360,000	4,110,000
December.....	20,250,000	17,300,000	2,220,000
January.....	20,200,000	16,660,000	3,540,000
February.....	20,200,000	16,480,000	3,820,000
Total.....	£259,190,000	£ 222,200,000	£ 37,999,000

The difference in the aggregates is £37,000,000, or fourteen per cent. It partly represents a fall in prices, and partly diminished quantities. The downward movement continues, and it is impossible to say how far it will go. On the other hand, in spite of falling prices, the value of the imports is more than maintained, the total for the year 1875 being the largest on record, and those for January and February, 1876, showing a further increase of ten and one-half per cent. over the same months of last year. England, being a creditor nation, is enabled to sustain an adverse balance of trade, longer than debtor countries, and the processes of trade with it is hoped, by the financial authorities work out renewed prosperity for her, through the influence of cheap money, cheap labor and low prices in all trades.

—The New York *Nation* of March 23 has the following in reference to the much-disputed question as to the value of silver in greenbacks:

"The value in gold of $100 in greenbacks ranged during the week between $87.50 and $87.81. The value in gold of $100 subsidiary coin ranged during the week between $85.50 and $85.50. If the *Times* wishes confirmation of these figures, we advise it to take a business directory, and obtain from the special brokers or bank brokers the names of such firms as it knows by common repute to be responsible. They will inform the *Times* that, while our figure is correctly represent the gold value of subsidiary silver, it is impossible for any one to fill an order for $50,000 to $5,000 at any price, the stock being so small here, that these coins are worth $1.50 @ $2.00 per pound for small amount to ship to the West Indies and South America, where they can be exchanged for specie or gold; that they can now only be obtained from the Treasury by paying gold for them, dollar for dollar; and that with a full supply in the market, such as is contemplated by the Sherman act, after having been locked up for a long time, they would soon find their true value. The price of silver in London closes at 53d per ounce, after having been, during the week, 53¾d and 53¾d. The lowest price of silver last year was 53¼d, the highest in 1874 was 60¾d, and in 1873, 60¾d, which is the highest average price for any year between 1871 and 1875 on record runs. The average price from 1809 to 1875 ranges between 60¾d and 61¼d. These figures demonstrate clearly that if silver returns to anywhere near its average price for twenty years—and there is no reason why it may measure due to the action of Germany after war with France—the subsidiary silver coin which it is proposed to issue here will leave the country as certainly as water will flow down hill. The more the silver business is discussed it is more apparent it becomes that it was conceived in jobbery. Considered in its most favorable light, it is a political rather than a financial measure."

—The following stocks were sold last evening at the real estate and stock sales rooms of Thos. F. Stewart, 65 Fifth avenue, corner of Wood street:

Artisan's Bank.....		$21 00
Smithfield National Bank.....		75 50
Merchants' and Manufacturers' Ins. Co..		37 50
Pittsburgh Gas Company.....		67 50
Lawrence Railroad.....		55 50
Exchange National Bank.....		63 00

—The following table shows the prices of gold, Government bonds, railway stocks, etc., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange during the day, furnished by the Fifth National Bank, No. 16 Sixth street:

March 31, 1876.	10:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:30 P. M.	1:30 P. M.	2:30 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
U. S. 6's, 1881, coup..	112¾	112¾	112¾	112¾	112¾	112¾
5-20's, 1865.....	118¾	....	....	....	118¾	....
5-20's, 1865, new.....	118¾	....	....	....	118¾	....
5-20's, 1867, registered	121¾	....	....	....	121¾	....
5-20's, 1867.....	122¾	....	....	....	122¾	....
5-20's, 1868.....	122¾	....	....	....	122¾	....
10-40's, coupons.....	119	....	....	....	119	....
Currency 6's.....	123½	....	....	....	123½	....
New 6 per cents.....	117¾	....	....	....	117¾	....
Western Union Tel..	67¾	68	68¼	68¼	....	68¾
Quicksilver.....	13¾	....	....	....	....	....
Pacific Mail.....	20¼	20	19¾	....	....	....
Panama.....	....	130	....	....	....	....
Adams Express.....	....	107½	....	....	....	....
Wells-Fargo Express..	....	96	....	....	....	....
American Express..	....	59	....	....	....	....
United States Exp's	....	63	....	....	....	....
New York Central..	....	113	....	....	....	113
Erie.....	....	19¾	....	....	....	19¾
Michigan Central..	90¾	90¾	91¾	....	....	90¾
Michigan Southern..	92	92	....	....	....	....
Illinois Central..	96	96	....	....	....	....
Cleveland & Pitts'g	90¾	....	....	90¾	....	....
Chicago & Northwest	41¾	40¾	....	....	....	41¾
Do. preferred..	62	62¾	63	....	....	62¾
Rock Island.....	....	109¾	110	....	....	109¾
St. Paul common..	41¾	41¾	....	40	....	40¾
Do. preferred..	66¾	66¾	....	65¾	....	66¾
Wabash common..	3	3	3	2¾	....	3
Fort Wayne.....	....	102¾	....	....	....	....
Ohio & Mississippi..	20	....	....	....	....	18¾
Union Pacific.....	....	....	....	63¾	....	64
Harlem.....	....	138	....	138	....	....
Hannibal & St. Jos..	....	16	....	16	....	16¾
Atlantic & Pac. pref.	....	....	....	....	....	4
C. C. C. & I.....	....	....	....	....	....	41
Missouri Pacific.....	....	....	....	....	....	22¾

—The following is the report of the prices of leading stocks on the Philadelphia Stock Board, as received by wire at noon to-day:

Stocks.	Bid.	Asked.	Sales.
Pennsylvania Central.....	....	....	56¾
Reading.....	....	....	48¾
United Co's of N J.....	137	....	....
Oil Creek.....	....	....	14¼
Lehigh Valley.....	61¾	62	....
Allegheny Valley.....	100¾	101	....
Central Transportation..	42¾	43¾	....
Empire Transportation..	32	32½	....
P., C. & St. L. m. b.....	....	....	80¼
Northern Pacific bonds	17¾	18	....

(By Associated Press.)

Gold Closed at 113¾.

MONEY.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Money loaned at 5 per cent. and closed at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5@6 per cent. Customs receipts $417,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $86,000. Clearings $90,000. Sterling firm at 486@490. The specie engagements by to-morrow's steamer for Europe amount thus far to $500,000.

GOLD.

Gold opened and closed at 113¾, with sales in interim at 113¾.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds quiet. State securities more active. Stocks irregular at opening. Pacific Mail, Erie, St. Paul and Northwestern being down and balance of list firm. Later there was a general improvement on telegraphic advices that the railroad meeting there determined not to reduce the grain freights at present. After second call Panama came out on telegraph, tape offered at 125 and no bid, where as sales were made early in the day at 135. Tais decline of 7 per cent. attracted attention and the balance of the market was lower. Union Pacific advanced from 63 to 65 and closed at 64. Missouri Pacific very strong. Pacific Mail and St. Paul were weak. During the last hour the market was firm with a general improvement in prices. In some cases there was a slight reaction in final dealings. Illinois Central declined to 93. The termination of the old contract between the Pacific Mail and Panama Companies, which takes place to-morrow, was one of the moving causes for fluctuations to-day in Pacific Mail and Union Pacific. Nothing has yet been decided by the Pacific Mail Company. According to notification from the Panama, Pacific Mail will have to pay local rates on through freights in future. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad directors declared a quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent. Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad earned for the month of February $945,822, an increase over February, 1875, of $181,405. The net earnings for January and February, 1876, were $883,197, while those for the corresponding months of 1875 were $713,088. The *Express* says that the Turner Sugar Refining Company, on King street, have discharged their workmen, and will probably go into liquidation. Their capacity is about 300 barrels a day. Transactions at the Stock Exchange aggregated 110,000 shares, of which 15,000 were Pacific Mail, 10,000 Western Union, 14,000 St. Paul and 43,000 Lake Shore. The following were the closing quotations:

STOCKS.

W. U. Telegraph..	68¾	Toledo & Wabash..	3¾
Pacific Mail.....	19¾	Do. preferred..	9¾
Adams Express..	107¾	Ft. Wayne.....	102¾
Wells-Fargo Ex..	96	Chicago & Alton..	101
American Ex..	61	Do. preferred..	110¾
U. S. Express..	72¾	Terre Haute.....	5
New York Central..	113¾	Do. preferred..	15
Erie.....	19¾	Ohio & Mississippi..	19¾
Do. preferred..	36	Indiana Central..	4¾
Harlem.....	138	Hartford & N. Y..	110
Do. preferred..	134	Hannibal & St. Jo..	16¾
Mich. Central..	90¾	Del. & Lack.....	119¾
Lake Shore.....	66¾	Atlantic & P. Tel..	18¾
N. Centrol.....	107	Central Pac. bonds	107¾
Rock Island, ex-div.	109¾	Union Pacific stock	64
Illinois Central..	93	Union Pac. bonds..	103¾
Cleve. & Pitts..	90¾	Land grants..	18¾
Northwestern..	41¾	Sinking funds..	8
Do. preferred..	62¾	Maripposa.....	1¾
St. Paul.....	40¾	Do. preferred..	4¾
Do. preferred..	65¼	Panama.....	128

GOVERNMENTS.

U. S. coupons, 1881..	120¾	New 5's.....	118¾
5-20's, 1865.....	118¾	10-40's, registered..	111¾
5-20's, 1865, new....	118¾	10-40's, coupons....	119
5-20's, 1867.....	121¾	Currency 6's.....	123½
5-20's, 1868.....	122¾		

STATE BONDS.

Tennessee, old..	42¾	Virginia, old.....	35
Tennessee, new....	40¾	Missouri 6's.....	101¼
Virginia, new.....	35		

BOSTON, March 31, 5 P. M.—Weather fair. The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is £47,000. Consols 94⅝. United States bonds—5's, 103⅝@104; 6's, 1865, 106½@106; new 5's 105¾. Railroad securities—New York Central 131; Erie 17¾; preferred 28. The *Times* in its financial article says: The best private information says that financial circles on the Continent have a belief in or apprehension of, immediate trouble in Eastern Europe.

The *Times* also calls attention to the fact that while on Thursday there was an appreciation of small loans of the Argentine provinces of Santa Fe and Entre Rios, which had both been quoted at above par during March, and on Monday were 90 and 85, but on Thursday both closed at 50, the official Stock Exchange sheet showing above a single transaction. It thinks the Stock Exchange owes the public some explanation of how the prices were sustained above par and why they have now dropped without apparently any sufficient bargain being effected.

LONDON, March 31.—The corn trade has relapsed into the langnor which characterized it during the first months of the year. The recent advance in value of wheat, flour and barley was scarcely supported in the leading exchange transactions on Saturday. At Mincing's there was a decline of a shilling per quarter on English wheat, the highest point established previous prices. Last week's grain arrivals from abroad showed a slight increase on the preceding week. The imports of wheat were 181,672 quarters, and of flour 35,512 sacks. Home supplies are rather more plentiful. We received 41,416 quarters, barley 39,679 quarters, and oats 8,203 quarters. The average price of English wheat is 44s. 4d. Mark Lane to-day, business was heavy and attendance thin. Wheat offered at Monday's prices is quite neglected. Flour cannot be sold except at reductions from the recent advance. Barley steady. Maize rather cheaper, with a full supply being inferior or damaged. The weather now allows of agricultural work. The crops around Odessa are reported to be growing favorably.

LIVERPOOL, March 31.—A leading corn circular says: With the return of more temperate weather and gentle rains, the corn trade becomes calmer. Millers, having previously purchased wheat to some extent, are disinclined to operate at some reduction. Foreign growers, on the contrary are still in their demands. Prices in the agricultural districts are firmly supported. In this and neighboring markets since Tuesday little business has been done. The fresh arrivals are small. The market to-day was almost at a standstill. Few transactions in wheat are reported. The value is fully a penny per cental lower, without pressure to sell. Flour was very slow at a decline of 6d per barrel to that in wheat. Little done in corn at a decline of 3d.

LONDON, March 31.—The Stock Exchange closed at an important recovery. Foreign securities have been in prominent request.

PARIS, March 31.—Rentes 86 centimes.

FRANKFORT, March 31.—United States bonds—New 5's 101¾.

NEW ORLEANS, March 31.—Gold 114@114¼. Sight ⅛ per cent. premium. Sterling—Bank, 55¾.

GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, } FRIDAY, March 31, 1876. }

The state of general trade to-day was comparatively steady, there being a moderately good demand and some activity in comparison with the dullness of the preceding week. Prices retained the range reported yesterday, there having been little change of any character in this particular.

The receipts of the leading articles of produce, since our last, are as follows:

Flour, bbls.....	202	Apples, bbls.....	20
Corn, bus.....	1,605	Cheese, bxs.....	95
Barley, bus..	40	Butter, pkgs.....	111
Wheat, bus.....	770	Potatoes, bus..	1,598
Oats, bus.....	3,730	Hay, bales.....	263
Bacon, tes.....	20		

The quotations given in the following reports are prices realized in wholesale transactions, unless otherwise specified. On small sales, dealers will charge an advance. Prices of grain, unless stated to the contrary, are free in elevator.

Breadstuffs and Produce.

APPLES—The jobbing demand was moderately active to-day, and values were steady at former quotations, with unimportant receipts. Values are strong at $3 00@3 25 per barrel for choice, prime at $2 50@2 75, and mixed lots range from $3 00@4 00 ₱ barrel.

BUTTER—Receipts were light to-day given to the demand for butter to-day, by the continued cold weather, and while the supply was liberal the market was held steadily at 30@32c for best qualities of gilt-edged family at 30@32c ₱ pound; choice 26@28c; common to fair rules at 15@20c.

CHEESE—Trade was only moderately steady and was at rather limited quotations to manufacturers. We quote jobbing prices for cheddars: New York, Goshen 14½@15c; prime Ohio factory 13½@14c per ₱.

DRIED FRUITS—The demand is light and wholly in jobbing characters. We quote common to choice apples at 9@10c; sliced, 10@11c. Peaches—Halves, 11@12c; peeled 19@21c. Blackberries 12@13c. Huckleberries 14@15c. Raspberries 30@33c. Cherries, pitted, 25@28c; unpitted 8@9c ₱ lb for 100 cents.

EGGS—The supply continues ample and the market is steady. We quote at 14@15c per dozen for strictly fresh.

FLOUR—The jobbing trade was quite active at steady prices. The rates current ruled as follows for the wholesale trade of our local millers: No. 1 white wheat flour $7 25 ₱ bbl; No. 1 amber do $7 25; red wheat flour $6 75@7 00; in sacks 25c off ₱ bbl. The jobbing brands of the leading dealers for standard brands of flours are steady, as follows: Choice brands of winter wheat flour $7 00@7 25; white wheat $7 50@7 75. Wisconsin as far as Minnesota $7 50@7 75. Minnesota $6 50@6 75; fancy St. Louis $8 25@8 50; choice patents $8 50@9 00. Spring wheat flour is active at $5 00@5 25; Graham flour $5 50@6 75; self-raising flour, in 6 ₱ packages, $5 25@5 50; dozen packages, $6 00@6 25; bushel; optional $6 25 ₱ bbl; kegs $3 25. Rye flour $4 00@5 25 ₱ bbl. Buckwheat flour $4 00@5 ₱ bbl for wholesale and jobbing business.

GRAIN—Trade was again quiet and limited in volume. The market was without any special feature. Wheat was steady, with a moderate milling demand for choice grades. We quote Michigan white at 94@96c; Pennsylvania and Ohio red winter $1 30@1 31; amber, $1 30@1 32. Northern red is 90@1 00; low grades are dull and neglected at $1 16@1 22; rejected do 90@91 00, as to quality; white feeling nearly in sympathy with red. Corn is selling at $1 27@1 30. Corn was still firm under the influence of continued scarcity. We quote shelled at 59@60c for yellow; 58@59c for high-mixed; 53@55c for low-mixed; prime new car 54@55c for yellow. Oats were somewhat firmer. We quote mixed Pennsylvania and Ohio at 40@41c; white do at 42@43c; Western white 43@45c. Barley was in improved inquiry, with a stronger feeling. Canada is held at $1 10@1 20 ₱ bushel; choice spring at $1 00@1 10; common to prime 90@96c. Rye is quiet and easy at 80@85c ₱ bushel. Jobbing sales were made at the usual advance.

POTATOES—The feeling in potatoes is slightly improved, but trade is still chiefly confined to a steady jobbing demand from store. We quote round lots at 35@35c for peachblows; 30@35c for Peerless and Early Rose. Sales were made from store at 38@42c ₱ bushel for prime peach-blows. Sweet potatoes were jobbing in a small way at 55@75 ₱ bushel.

SEED—The feeling was firm with a light supply. We quote clover seed at $5 00@5 10 in a jobbing way, and at $4 90@5 00 in round lots; timothy seed is easy at $2 65@2 75 ₱ bushel; flaxseed $1 40 in round lots; $1 50@1 60 in a small way; onion sets were dull and in slight demand at $2 25@2 50 ₱ bushel.

VINEGAR—Market well supplied. We quote country stock 15@20c ₱ gallon; best city make, No. 2, at 19c ₱ gallon.

Provisions.

There was a steady trade, though without a very active feeling. Prices ruled firm in sympathy with the feeling elsewhere, but show no disposition to go higher.

BACON—There was a steady feeling at quotations which are as follows: Hams 13½@14c; 10½@ ₱ pound; short rib sides 13¾@13¾c; clear sides 14c.

BEEF AND CURED MEATS—Hams were steady and in fair demand at 14½c ₱ lb for extra sugar cured. Breakfast bacon rules steady and we quote sugar cured at 12c. Sugar cured shoulders were firm being quotable at 10¾@11c. Dried beef, sugar cured, rules at 15c. Beef tongues, ₱ dozen, are quoted at $5 50.

LARD—The market is strong with a marked upward tendency. We quote prime leaf lard in tierces at 14½@14¾ ₱ lb; in half-barrels 14¾ @15c; in buckets 15½@15¾c ₱ lb; refined lard in tierces 14¾@13c ₱ lb; in half-barrels 15¾ @15¾c ₱ lb; in buckets 16¾@16c ₱ lb. We note a revision of the prices of lard in packages which we give as follows: in 3-lb cadies 17¾c ₱ lb; in 5-lb cadies 17¾c ₱ lb; in 3-lb pails 17¾c ₱ lb; in 5-lb pails 17¾c ₱ lb; in 5-lb pails 17¾c ₱ lb.

LARD OIL—There is a steady demand at firm prices. We quote extra winter-strained at $1 10 ₱ gallon; No. 1 at 95c; No. 2 at 75c; No. 3, 65c; No. 1 elastic oil, extra, 65@66c; No. 1 61@63c.

HAM SAUSAGE—Continues steady at 9½@10c ₱ lb.

MESS PORK—The market is strong, the ruling prices being $24 00@24 50 ₱ barrel for prime mess.

TALLOW—We quote chandlers, city rendered, 9¾@10c ₱ lb; country do 8½@8c ₱ lb.

COUNTRY BACON—There is a moderate demand for country-cured meats at steady values. We quote hams at 11½@12c ₱ lb; shoulders 9@10c; sides 12@13c; lard 11@12½c.

Groceries.

There was a moderately good demand for staple groceries at unchanged quotations which we repeat as follows:

Green Coffees.	₱ lb.	*Sugars.*	₱ lb.
Fancy Rio.....	24 c	Standard A..10	@10½c
Choice Rio.....	22 c	Standard B..10	@10½c
Prime Rio.....	20 c	Granulated.. 10¾	@10 c
Good Rio.....	21 c	Extra C—yel. 9¾	@9¾c
Ordinary Rio.....	20 c	Golden yellow..	8½c
Java.....	32 c	Franklin, B....	9¾c
Roasted Coffees.		Cut Loaf.....	12 c
Rio, in papers..	27 c	Crushed.....	11½c
2d grades do..	24@26 c	Powdered.....	11¾c
Rio, in bulk..	24@26c	Granulated.....	11 c
Java, in papers..	34c	Coon Ise N. O....	8 c
Java, in bulk.....	33 c	Fully do.....	8½c
Teas.		Prime do.....	8½c
Young Hyson..	45c@81 00	Choice fair do..	9 c
Gunpowder..	80c@1 10	Wte clarified do	10 c
Imperial.....	80c@ 90	*Molasses.*	₱ gall.
Japan.....	40c@	Strp'y ch. N. O..	50@55c
Oolong.....	25c@	Prime.....	50c
Fancy.....	1 00	Good.....	50c
Souchong.....	85c@ 75	*Syrups.*	
Starch.		Ex. white drips..	70c
Pearl.....	4½@4¾c	Sugar drips.....	60c
Silver gloss.....	5 c	Lower grades....	35@50c
Corn.....	5 c	*Spices.*	
Rice.		Cloves.....	55 c
Choice Carl's..	7½@8 c	Allspice.....	17 c
Carl's.....	7 @8 c	Cassia.....	30@35 c
Rangoon.....	7 c	Nutmegs.....	85 c
Louisiana.....	6¾@7 c	Pepper.....	19@20 c
Soda.		*Soaps.*	
Bi-carb, in kegs..	5 c	Irish soap, ₱ box..	4½ c
Bi-carb, in 5 pkgs	5½c	S. S. Star, ₱ box..	5 7½
Bi-carb, in papers..	6 c	Babbitt's best, wbx	6 c
Candles.		Gold do.....	5 50
Star, full weight..	17 c	Alaspice, ₱ lb..	9½c
Stearine.....	13½c	German mottled do	7¼c
Mould.....	11@12 c	California, ₱ box..	$1 20

CANNED GOODS—The trade is steady at the following current rates:

2 ₱ Bartlett pears	$3 00	2 ₱ blackberries...	$1 50
2 ₱ common pears.	2 00	2 ₱ blueberries....	2 00
2 ₱ pine apple.....	2 00	2 ₱ white cherries.	2 75
2 ₱ quinces.....	3 00	2 ₱ red cherries....	2 00
2 ₱ raspberries....	2 75	2 ₱ gooseberries...	3 00
2 ₱ strawberries..	2 00	2 ₱ green gages....	3 00
2 ₱ Lima beans....	2 00	2 ₱ egg plums.....	3 00
2 ₱ string beans....	1 50	2 ₱ damson plums..	2 50
2 ₱ Winslow's corn	2 25	2 ₱ peaches.....	1 75
2 ₱ peas.....	2 25	3 ₱ peaches.....	2 25
3 ₱ tomatoes.....	1 65	3 ₱ pie peaches....	1 60

FISH—A steady trade at unchanged prices is noted in fish, with a good demand. We present the following revised list of quotations:

	Per bbl.		Per bbl.
Extra No. 1 Mess mackerel.....	$24 00	Labrador herring, split.....	$ 8 00
No. 1 mess do.....	22 00	Round do.....	6 25
Ex. No. 1 shore do	22 00	Lake do, hf. bbls...	3 25
No. 1 shore do.....	25 00	Smok'd bloat'r, bx	1 75
Ex. No. 1 bay do..	22 00	Large George's cod fish, ₱ lb.....	6½c
No. 1 bay do.....	19 00	Medium do.....	6 c
Ex. No. 2 do.....	17 00	Boneless codfish.	7 c
No. 2 do.....	16 00	Halibut do.....	12½c
Large No. 3 do....	12 50	No. 1 herring, ₱ bx	40 c
Whitefish.....	5 75	Scaled herring, do	50 c
California salmon, hf-bbls.....	9 00	Holland do ₱ keg	1 40

TOBACCO—The current rates are as follows:

Manufactured—		Six Twist.....	43@50c
Spun roll.....	60@63c	Smoking—Gran.	
Black Jacks.....	50@52c	ulated.....	50@75c
Black Tens.....	53@56c	*Leaf Tobacco*—	
Louisville Nav..	90@95c	Wrapping leaf—	
Louisville Cav..	85@70c	wrappers.....	15@20c
Virginia Navy..	53@56c	West'n leaf—lugs	9@12c
Virginia Tens..	53@58c	Ohio seed wrap'rs	12@15c
Virginia Cav..	53@58c	Ohio seed filler..	9@12c
Double Thick..	60@65c	Conn. (choice) wrapper.....	60@70c
Flounders.....	50@75c	Conn. filler.....	12@15c
Bright pounds..	63c@1	Missouri Pacific..	12@15c
Black Jacks.....	53@62c	Havana fillers..	2@1 25
Rough & Ready..	65@85c	Havana fillers & c	@1 25
Fine Cut plugs..	70@80c	*Cigars*—	
Fine Cut.....	55@70c	Penn'a. seed..	@15@ 20
Cut and Dry.....	33@42c	Connecticut.....	25@ 30
Scotch Snuff.....	55@75c	Seed & Havana.	30@ 75
Black Snuff.....	60@85c	Havana.....	85@150

FOREIGN FRUITS—Are in fair demand. We note a slight decline in cocoa-nuts. We quote as follows: Raisins—Layers, new, ₱ box, $3 00; London layers do $4 50; Valentias, new, 11½@12c ₱ lb; Sultanas 18c. Dates 8½@9c ₱ lb. Currants 8c. Citron 35c. Prunes 7c. Almonds—Languedoc 25c; do shelled 38c; do Princess 37c; do Jordan 35c, do fancy 30c. Filberts—Naples 20c; Marbot 17c; Sicily filberts 15c. Pecans—Ohio 12@13c. Brazil nuts 10c. Macaroni 15@18c. Tapioca 10@11c. Sago 9@10c. Messina, ₱ box, $5 00. Oranges $5 00 ₱ box. Cocoanuts $6 50 ₱ hundred.

Petroleum.

March 31.—A rather dull and eventless day marked the close of the month, and the first quarter of the year, in petroleum circles. Crude was very quiet without material attraction, while refined was dull and listless.

CRUDE—The market to-day opened at the following: United and Conduit $2 09½; Union $2 05. The volume of business transacted was quite limited and the market has been characterized throughout the whole day by a listless and inactivity; and from one end of the line to the close the prices have scarcely varied a fraction. Shipment was dull at $2 20¾, there were but few transactions in this delivery.

REFINED—The dull and listless feeling prevailing in crude petroleum circles was also the leading feature in refined dealings. Values were rather weaker, exhibiting a drooping tendency, but no quotable change took place. We quote standard white test, on the cars at 11¾@11¾c for five hundred and thousand barrel lots, free on board at works; 12½@12¾c for prompt New York delivery rules at 14¾@15c for prompt and the month. Philadelphia is quoted at 14¾c for spot and March delivery. Baltimore rules at 14¾c for prompt and this month's delivery.

OIL BARRELS—Continue dull and unchanged at former prices, viz.: $1 15@1 20 for city made; $1 00@1 10 for country.

[By Western Union Telegraph.]

TITUSVILLE, March 31.—The *Herald* says: United opened at $2 09½, declined to $2 05¾ and closed at $2 07¾. Limited sales at 2 p. m. Transportation ruled during the day 25c below United. Lakes was the same as United and Grant and Relief are quoted at $2 02½. Pipeage paid certificates were in moderate request at $2 27½@2 28¾. Conduit ruled the same as United. Upper creek $2 22½@2 23½c. The closing quotations were:

	Bid.	Asked.
United, at wells.....	$2 09¾	$2 10
Union, at wells.....	2 07¾	2 08
Pennsylvania Transportation...	2 07¾	2 08¾
Pipeage paid certificates.....	2 26½	2 27½
Conduit, at wells.....	2 07¾	2 08
Karns, at wells.....	2 09¾	2 10
Grant, at wells.....	2 02¾	2 03
Relief, at wells.....	2 02¾	2 03¾
Oil City.....	2 20½	2 21
Upper creek.....	2 22½	2 23
Upper creek.....	2 22½	2 23¾

The total sales were 350,000 barrels.

OIL CITY, March 31.—The *Derrick* says: The feeling at the opening was only moderately active and weak at $2 07½ for United, Union rates and the same asked for old. The market then became inactive, and gradually declined to $2 07¾, and a few sales were made at 08. During the afternoon very little business was transacted, buyers and sellers being $2 08¼ apart in their views, $2 07¾ being bid and $2 08½@2 09¾ asked. Between three and four o'clock 5,000 barrels were sold at $2 08¾, and then all was quiet until the close, when a pool of 15,000 barrels certificates, dated to-morrow, sold at $2 08¾. At the close $2 08¾ was bid for spot, and $2 09¾ asked. Shipment at 2 23½@2 25¾. The total sales were 73,000 bbls.

NEW YORK, March 31, closing 30.—There is a limited market, and but few transactions. Refiners operate at the rates asked, but offerings are not urgent. Crude in bulk is quoted at 11¾c; 115c in shipping order; refined 15c; cases 18¾@ 20¾c; naptha is quoted at 10½c for city. At Baltimore refined sells at 14¾c. At Philadelphia 14¾c.

PARKERS, March 31.—Market quiet and steady with few transactions. United and Conduit $2 08¾; Union $2 08¾; outside lines nominal at $2 06; shipment $2 25.

TITUSVILLE, March 31.—Market opened quiet and nominal at $2 22¾.

OIL CITY, March 30.—Market dull with nothing doing at $2 08¾ bid for United at wells; $2 08¾ asked; immediate shipment $2 22¾.

ROUSSVILLE, March 31.—Market quiet and steady at $2 20.

TIONESTA, March 31.—Market quiet; held at $2 25.

PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—Market quiet; standard white 14¾c; crude 8½c; cases 18½c.

[By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, March 31.—Petroleum firm; crude 8½c; refined 15¾@16c.

PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—Petroleum firm; refined 15¾c; crude 8½@8¾c.

BALTIMORE, March 31.—Petroleum quiet; crude 8½@8¾c; refined 14¾@15c.

CLEVELAND, March 31.—Petroleum quiet and firm; standard white, 110 degrees test, 11¼c; prime white, 150 degrees test, 12½c, car lots, cash.

LONDON, March 31.—Refined petroleum 11d.

ANTWERP, March 31.—Refined petroleum 31¾ francs.

LIVERPOOL, March 31.—Refined petroleum 11¼ @11½d; spirits do 8¾@9¼d.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Central Stock Yards, East Liberty.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, } FRIDAY, March 31, 1876. }

CATTLE.

There are no new features in the market, things being in *statu quo*. With light receipts of cattle, prices advanced a shade, though, as before remarked, taken altogether, the cattle market was a dull one in all grades, except choice tops, which sold well up in the figures. We quote:

Extra, 1,400 to 1,600 lbs.....	$5 00@6 25
Prime, 1,200 to 1,400 lbs.....	5 25@5 75
Good, 1,100 to 1,200 lbs.....	4 75@5 00
Fair, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs.....	4 50@5 00
Common, 900 to 1,000 lbs.....	4 25@4 50
Stockers.....	3 00@3 75
Bulls, stags and cows.....	3 50@4 00
Texas, 800 to 1,300 lbs.....	3 75@5 00

HOGS.

The run of hogs, as stated before, has been very light, and most all sold at the following figures:

Philadelphias.....	$5 00@5 50
Yorkers.....	5 10@5 50
Roughs.....	5 00@7 50

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CITY MATTERS.

FOR eighty-five cents per month the DAILY COMMERCIAL will be mailed to travelers or to subscribers who are temporarily absent from Pittsburgh. The address of the paper will be changed as often as is desired.

Local Observations.

OFFICE OF THE OBSERVER, U. S. SIG. SERV., Room 23, First National Bank Building, PITTSBURGH, PA., March 31, 1876.

Time.	Bar.	Th'r.	Hum	Dir.	Wind. Force.	Weath.
7 A. M..	30.04	31	89	N.W.	Fresh.	Cloudy
2 P. M..	30.13	35	70	N.W.	Fresh.	Cloudy
9 P. M..	30.23	35	69	N.W.	Fresh.	Cloudy

Mean barometer.. 30.13 Highest thermom....35
Mean thermom... 34 Lowest thermom....30

Pittsburgh Female College.
Spring term commences April 17th. Send for Catalogue to Rev. I. C. Pershing, D.D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rising Sun Flour
will please your particular customers.

Removal.
Our Office and Sales Rooms will be removed from 140 Wood street, on or about April 1st, to No. 37 Wylie avenue.
WHEELER & WILSON MFG. CO.

The Bounty Bond Case.
In the case of the Pittsburgh Gas Company against the Forbes district, Sixth Ward School Board, an action to recover on a bounty bond for $2,300, in which a verdict was rendered for the defendants, a new trial has been refused, after argument.

Personal.
Mr. Will A. Edgar has taken charge of the retail news and book business of W. A. Gildenfenney & Co., at No.69 Fifth avenue, heretofore conducted by Mr. J. P. Barcroft. The latter gentleman goes to the oil regions to look after his interests in a number of producing wells there, and will have the good wishes of a large number of friends here. Mr. Edgar is an accomplished young gentleman, of good address and accommodating disposition, and will treat all customers properly. Among the first acts of his administration is the sending to this office of a package of choice literature, including the fresh magazines, illustrated and story papers, etc. Gildenfenney & Co. keep an extensive line of stationery, embracing the latest styles, as well as the ordinary plain varieties, while their assortment of notions is comprehensive and prices reasonable.

Pittsburgh Female College—Essay Contest—Opening of Spring Term
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The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement of Messrs. Fairbanks, Morse & Co., No. 48 Wood street, which appears in this morning's issue. The standard superiority of the Fairbanks' Scales is fully demonstrated by numerous testimonials from parties who have them in use, and their reputation is not confined to any special locality, but has become almost world-wide. The Fairbanks' Scales are not only held in high esteem by the general business public, but we find also that they receive the unqualified indorsement of the United States Government on account of their accuracy, as the following notice, taken from the *New York Evening Express*, will indorse:
The Messrs. Fairbanks have been awarded the contract for furnishing the Postoffice Department with scales the present year.
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Also, the following letter from Prof. Mew, Analytical Chemist of the British Museum, is sufficiently elaborate to convey the idea to the minds of all parties interested in securing accuracy in detail in weights, that the Fairbanks' scales stand at the head of the list:

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Ex-Superintendent Paul, of the Allegheny Water Works, was recalled and testified as follows: The engine was not taken off Hartupee's hands while I was there; it was on his hands about nine months because it was not working up to the contract; think it was the contractor's fault; would not do well; the engine has been running so well since it has been repaired that she has overcome fully one-half the prejudices of her enemies; the last time I saw her run she was running very smooth; got over the centers very well, and will come up to all that was claimed for her by Mr. Lowry; we had breaks; everybody had their breaks; the cause of mine the first break was of the stop-gate on the pumping main; the second was an elbow of the main; Lowry had nothing to do with these breaks; the engines, however, had to stand the blame of it, but it was not her fault; public notice was given after the Lowry engine had been repaired that she was ready for further examination by the use of water; before the engine was repaired the fountains in the parks were shutoff; the city was deprived of the water; Lowry had the duty tested was that I did not consider it fair to give the duty of the engine taken when it was not properly fitted up; the fault of the improper condition rested on the contractor.

THE LEVEL OF EAST LIBERTY VALLEY.

At this point Mr. Robb asked leave to introduce Captain T. P. Roberts, who desired to make a statement in regard to the level of East Liberty valley. Mr. Roberts was sworn and stated that it was not true that the preliminary report of Colonel W. Milnor Roberts cost the city $20,000. In that report the elevation of the Lowry engine's valve was given as four feet; the error was made by Mr. Russell, who took the levels, and was first discovered by Colonel Roberts; before all the reports were sent out the figures were corrected in red ink.

Mr. Bruce—Would suggest a protracted cross-examination. The whole cost of the bill of the water works, Mr. Roberts, who drew up and wrote the original text of the report; Russell furnished the data; my father was paid at the rate of $6,000 per annum for 18 months. The gist of the report did argue against a plan of supplying the city by gravity on the Allegheny river, based on the level furnished by Mr. Russell; that matter was explained to the committee. Colonel Roberts, in public meeting, made that report and all other suggestions made by my father in regard to the Pittsburgh Water Works have been disregarded. He also reported that there was not a sufficient volume of water in the Monongahela river; the plan was put on the wrong sheet; the drawings were made as they were along; they didn't seem to have any settled plan; don't like to say whether I consider the Lowry engine will prove a failure or not.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bruce—Went to the Allegheny water works with Mr. Schenueller; he said he knew about the matter under consideration. His statement, it seems, was of a nature entirely different from what was expected. There are persons, in fact, who say that Mr. Livingston could tell a story which would be very damaging to the reputations of certain prominent East End Democrats. The certain prominent East End Democrats. The fact that he has not been called testify to such statements, it was learned, is for the reason that Mr. Carson fears that Mr. Livingston will exhibit the matter in another light.

OBITUARY.

MRS. SARAH AIKEN.

Mrs. Sarah Aiken, widow of John Aiken, deceased, and mother-in-law of Capt. William Fullwood and John W. Pittock, Esq., died yesterday afternoon, at her residence on Shady lane, East Liberty, aged sixty-five years. Mrs. Aiken was one of the oldest members of the M. E. Church in this city, and was greatly esteemed by the entire community in which she resided for her many shining qualities. Her death will be mourned by a large circle of friends and relatives.

MRS. SARAH LOCKHART.

Mrs. Sarah Lockhart, mother of Messrs. James, Charles and W. H. Lockhart, departed this life Thursday evening, at her residence, No. 289 Federal street, Allegheny, at the advanced age of eighty-four years. The deceased was a member of the United Presbyterian Church (Rev. McMillan's) since 1842, and an active worker in all the charitable movements of that organization.

MRS. RACHAEL BEGGS.

Mrs. Rachael Beggs died on Sunday evening last, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Charles B. Dessdon, on Sheridan avenue, East End, aged seventy-six years. Deceased was a native of Fayette county, and was the widow of Wm. Beggs, deceased, who for many years held the position of Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the county. She was the mother of Ellis Y. and John M. Beggs, well-known railroad contractors, and Mrs. Alexander Dr. Smith Fuller, of Uniontown, Pa., late State Senator. She was a most amiable lady, an exemplary Christian and a kind and loving mother.

ANOTHER DISCOVERY.

Another Batch of Nation Trust Papers Brought to Light.

Another discovery has been made of papers, once of value, and connected with the affairs of the late Nation Trust Company. It appears that one of the safes formerly used in the banking house was purchased and is now in use by the Inventors' Protective Agency whose office is in the building on the southwest corner of Fifth avenue and Smithfield street. Some ten days ago some papers slipped beyond reach in the rear of one of the drawers and Dr. Greenawalt, Secretary of the Inventors' Association, proceeded to "fish" out by means of a piece of wire. His endeavors were rewarded by the finding out of a lot of papers, some eight in all, not belonging to the concern. Upon examination it appeared that they were drafts and vouchers formerly belonging to the banking company. Some of the papers were sight and others indorsed drafts, but all having the signature of the missing Secretary, Robert J. Grier, and call for sums ranging from $2,000 to $4,000, amounting in a round sum to $20,000. Each had a voucher or certificate of payment on stock in an Iowa railway company attached, and all purport to have been issued by the Nation Trust Company. After an inspection of the documents they were thrown aside as worthless, but recent events have caused them to be brought forward again. They will be handed over to Receiver Bailey to increase the collection of worthless paper in his hands. The names that appear on the drafts, other than Grier's, have not been divulged.

RELIGIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

REV. DERMOT preaches next Sabbath evening for the Free Methodists of Braddocksfield. Seats free. All are invited.

TO-MORROW evening at 7½ o'clock Dr. S. O. Wylie, of Philadelphia, will preach a sermon in the Central Reformed Presbyterian Church, of Allegheny.

REV. C. W. SMITH, late of Canton, Ohio, will deliver his first sermon as pastor of the Smithfield Street M. E. Church, to-morrow, and will occupy the pulpit in the evening also.

REV. F. LEROY SUNDOCK, of the Central Presbyterian Church, will occupy his pulpit at 10½ o'clock, and purposes to deliver a discourse on the nature of which will be made known at the hour of service.

REV. G. H. HUMPHREY, of the South Side will preach to-morrow morning on "Strong and Drinking Worthily and Unworthily," and in the evening on "The Relation of Faith to Baptism, Salvation and Condemnation."

THE Sunday School Teachers Noon Meeting, usually held at the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, will be held to-day in the Lecture Room of the First Presbyterian Church, Wood street. Meeting will be led by Mr. McCune, Esq. Subject: "The Ascending Lord."

DURING Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week the Evangelist Sankey will hold in the Lecture Room of Firt Presbyterian Church, Wood street. During the remainder of the week it will be held in the new rooms of the Y. M. C. A., No. 33 Fifth avenue.

REV. J. S. WRIGHTSON, the new pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist Church, East End, will preach morning and evening on Sabbath next, April 2d. Seats free, and a free welcome. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Sabbath school at nine o'clock A. M.

The new rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association will be formally opened to the public on Thursday evening of next week. Addresses will be delivered by two or three of our city ministers with other exercises. The rooms are at No. 33 Fifth avenue (McClintock's building), a much more central place than at their old location.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

THE Coroner held fourteen inquests in March.

THE Ordinance Committee failed to meet last evening for want of a quorum.

LIEUT. BOHANEN, of the police force, recent by stationed in the Eleventh ward, is dead.

A TEACHER in the Fifteenth ward school has been discharged for cruelly beating a little child.

DAN. SHERRY, of the City Controller's Office, is a fine penman and is besides good looking and obliging.

The public schools were closed yesterday, and will remain closed until Tuesday morning, on account of moving time.

A COAL miner was struck by a train, at Tarentum crossing, on the P. V. & C. road, and injured. He was taken to his home at Irwin's.

THERE is only one iron mill idle on the South Side—that of Jones &